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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170  
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

As a senior citizen living on a limited income I currently have a Tracfone that I keep active and available in my automobile for emergencies only. I have had occasion to use it and would not want to be without it. I selected Tracfone because I found it affordable as a security devise. I do not use a wireless phone for regular calls and I have that bill to pay monthly. I object strongly to the proposed change to charge all types of wireless users an additional charge of \$12.00 a year. Since the Tracfone is normally used very selectively rather than as a main source of incoming and outgoing calls, I recommend that it and other similar services be excluded from FCC proposal.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members